

# THE BLAIR MAGAZINE

Official Bulletin of the

## BLAIR SOCIETY FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH

Incorporated January 19, 1925  
Under Pennsylvania Laws.

President, Dr. Samuel Blair Luckie,  
No. 333 E. Broad Street  
Chester, Pa.

1st Vice President  
Hon. Frederick Wells Blair, Girard, Pa.

2d. Vice President  
Mr. Alexander Blair, Macon, Ga.

Searchers: Mr. Maurice R. Blair, Union Trust Co., Detroit, Michigan;  
Mrs. Alice Blair Andrews, Apartment 305, 149 Harrison St., E. Orange, N. J.  
Mr. Calvin C. Blair, Beloit, Kansas,  
Mrs. Effemey Blair Wall, Hotel Munn, Los Angeles, California.

The Society Archives, Official Records and Data, are on deposit at the Office of the Society, No. 512-515 Masonic Temple, Erie, Pa., and are available to its members free of charge.

The Owner and Publisher is, BLAIR SOCIETY FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH, which is the sole owner, No. 512-15 Masonic Temple, Erie, Pa. Address all communications about Membership, Magazine Subscriptions, Dues and New Members, to the Corresponding Secretary (above); about all Genealogical and Lineage matters to the Editor.

Corresponding Secretary and  
Treasurer,

Mrs. Claril Blair Blair,  
Box 325 High St., Mantua, Ohio.

Recording Secretary,  
Robert Wallace Blair,  
Girard, Pa.

Genealogical Secretary and Editor,  
John Elmer Reed, Esq.,  
512-15 Masonic Temple, Erie, Pa.

Volume 1.

May 1929.

Number 8.

### OFFICIAL NOTICES AND WANTS

Notice: The next regular Meeting of the Society will be held at its office, No. 512-515 Masonic Temple, Erie, Pa., on Tuesday, August 13, at 10:30 o'clock, A. M., Standard Time, for the purpose of transacting the general business of the society, receiving reports from the officers and trustees, reports from committees, election of three trustees to serve for the ensuing year, and for such other business as may properly be presented.

Life Members and Active Members are entitled to vote and to hold office in this society, and may cast their ballots in person, by proxy, or by mail, as they may desire.

It will help the Treasurer and Secretary to have all of the large blanks filled out by our members and returned to the treasurer as soon as practicable. The information which they will disclose should be of great importance to our members in working out their various lines of descent.

We must soon be recording the proofs of the genealogical data which is being sent in for our files. It would be so easy for members and contributors to state in their lists and reports just how they have secured the data which they are forwarding; where it came from; what records they have to substantiate it, or whether it is wholly derived from tradition or by oral repetition from ancestors' memories; where the old Bible which contains the records is deposited or kept; where the will is recorded from which certain data has been secured. In fact let us have as soon as possible a complete statement of the data, with specific references to its sources, so that our records may stand for just what they are.

You will be pleased with the genealogical information contained in this number; and especially, we believe, with the partial data (to be continued in the next number) of the Perthshire, Scotland, BLAIRS. It will be noted that they seem to have belonged to the very best society of their respective ages. Some of our own lines have descended from the cadet members of these same great families. The data is taken from clippings evidently taken from some ancient genealogical magazine, often showing the early forms of the letters, and other quaint characteristics of the old printers' art. These clippings were inherited by our treasurer from her grandfather as well as from her uncle, and must have been secured a long time ago, but from what exact source is now unknown.

If you can use some of our beautiful emblazoned stationery, or wish some especially printed, with our society's own coat of arms, either in colors or in one color, write us your wants.

A few more photos of members have come in, but many of our members have not yet completed their record here by filing their likeness. Just a good kodak picture will answer our purpose.

We have secured promises from some of our members of nearly one third of the necessary money required to codify and index Mrs. Moore's manuscript data, charts, correspondence, etc. Could you spare a few dollars too, for this valuable work? Write the Treasurer if you can.

A number of our membership have been taken away by death since the society was organized. We must be seeking new members to take the place of those passing away or our society will eventually become a mere history. You, dear reader, must surely have some BLAIR relative or friend in mind who would be glad to join our ranks and help us to complete the records of the ancient and honorable house of BLAIR. Won't you try for at least one new member right away? Write the treasurer for blanks.

Our members have been received from twenty-eight states; 15 from Pa.; 7 from O.; 6 from Mo.; 5 each from Ill. and D. C.; 3 each from N. J., Va., Ky., Kas., and N. Y.; 2 each from Mich., Tex., Cal., N. C., Mass., Alab., Wisc., Fla., Miss., Ariz., W. Va., Ga., Colo.; and one each from Md., Ind., N. H., Tenn., and Okla.

Several members have moved since being admitted. Five members have been called to membership in the society of those who have entered into rest.

#### MEMBERSHIP LIST

(Continued from page 106)

- 79. Mrs. LENNA CUSTIS WATKINS BLAIR, 1750 Euclid St., Washington, D. C. Life
- 80. Mrs. ULAH WALTON COVINGTON, 1402 Beacon St., Brookline, Mass. Active
- 81. ANNIE BLAIR TITMAN CUMMINS, 202 Mansfield St., Belvidere, N. J. Active
- 82. Capt. JAMES BLYTHE ANDERSON, Glengarry Farm, Lexington, Ky., Active
- 83. Rev. EDWIN VANCE TADLOCK, 325 S. Maple Ave., Winchester, Ky. ... Active
- 84. RICHARD WHITE BLAIR, 3412 Knight St., Dallas, Texas ..... Active

Mrs. ELIZABETH (.....) BLAIR, 96 years of age, of Cedarville, Ohio, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Creswell in that place, on Friday morning Feb. 1, 1929, and was buried in Massie's Creek Cemetery. With her parents she moved from New York city to southern Illinois, where she married J. F. BLAIR in 1866; and they lived at Sparta, Ill. until his death about twenty years ago. Their surviving children are: Mrs. George Creswell, S. A. BLAIR of Greeley, Colo.; Mrs. J. H. Creswell, Mrs. G. H. Creswell, of Cedarville; Mrs. J. N. Lyle of Marianna, Ark.; W. O. BLAIR, Calipatria, Cal.; Mrs. N. C. Plimpton, Chicago, Ill., and J. F. BLAIR, Hanover, N. M. She was a lifelong Reformed Presbyterian.

## KENTUCKY'S DEAD IN GLORY LIVE

Gone back to God. What tomb could hide  
The martyr souls, the sacrificed?

For us, that light forever dwell,  
For home, met Fate mid hideous hell  
On land, in air, on waters wide,  
Where rolled the Teutons' awful tide;  
That Christian Nations might abide  
In love and peace—on duty fell—  
Gone back to God.

O Mother mine, thy heart has sighed;  
In Memory's shrine thy tear has dried;  
From starlit-land where anthems swell  
An angel soldier's clear notes tell  
Of love and peace—thy son who died  
Gone back to God.

—By Capt. James Blythe Anderson, New Lexington, Ky.

## THE BLAIR FAMILY OF SCOTLAND

The earliest of the BLAIR FAMILY of Scotland (of which HUGH BLAIR [1718-1800], Scottish divine, licensed as a minister of the church of Scotland in 1741, minister of the Canongate church, Edinburgh, 1743-58, of the High Church of Edinburgh, 1758-1800, professor of Rhetorical Belles-Lettres University of Edinburgh, 1760-1762, regius professor, 1762-82, distinguished author and doctor of divinity, is a distinguished member) to come to America was Dr. JAMES BLAIR (1656-1743). He was an Anglican clergyman in Edinburgh, Scotland, and removed to Virginia in 1685 to become commissary of the bishop of London for the provinces of Maryland and Virginia. He was instrumental in procuring for William and Mary College in Williamsburg its charter. February 14, 1691, and he was the first president of this now ancient college. With him came his brother, Dr. ARCHIBALD BLAIR, the father of Judge JOHN BLAIR (1689-1771) who was president of the council of Virginia and acting governor of the colony, and grandfather of Justice JOHN BLAIR, 1732-1800, justice of the United States supreme court, 1789-96; JAMES BLAIR, attorney-general of Kentucky, the father of FRANCIS PRESTON BLAIR, 1791-1876, the eminent statesman, and his son FRANCIS PRESTON BLAIR, jr., 1821-1875, and MONTGOMERY BLAIR, 1813-1883 are of the same family. The New Jersey family came from JOHN BLAIR, a Scotch Presbyterian who came from Scotland between 1730 and 1740, and was the grandfather of JOHN INSLEY BLAIR, 1802-1899, who gave, during his lifetime, over \$1,000,000 to educational institutions including \$150,000 to Princeton University, and \$50,000 to Lafayette College; and when he died his fortune was computed to be \$75,000,000. The BLAIR FAMILY of New England came from JAMES BLAIR (q. v.), the Scotch immigrant of 1738.

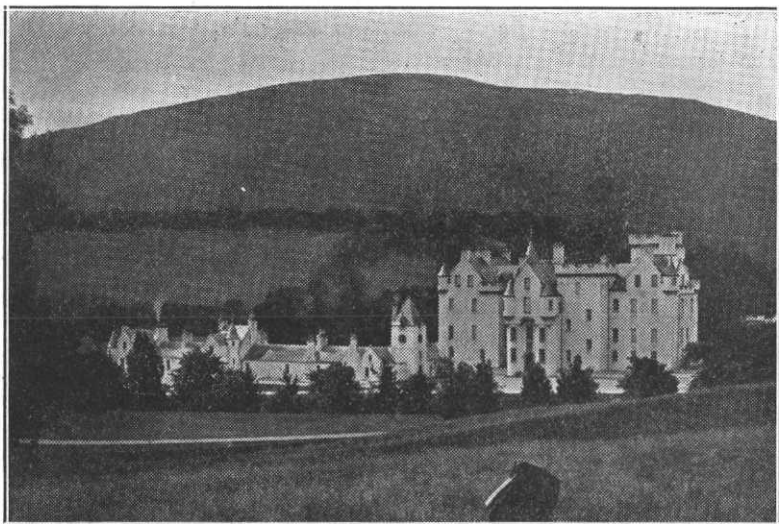
—Contributed in a printed clipping by Mrs. J. B. Blair.

## BLAIR OF BALTHYOCK

"Inquire, I pray thee, from the former age, and prepare thyself to the search of their fathers.—Job VIII, 8.—From Mrs. E. B. W.

"The surname of BLAIR is of great antiquity in Scotland, and there are two families of that name who have long competed for the chiefship, viz. the BLAIRS of Balthyock, whose principal residence has always been in Fife or Perthshire, and that of BLAIR of that ilk in Ayrshire. They both begun to make a figure in Scotland above 500 years ago, and did not then seem to be connected with one another, and both have several families descended of them. Those of Balthyock's are settled in Perthshire, Angus, and the north. Those of BLAIR of that ilk, in the shires of Ayr, Wigton, and Renfrew, etc. in the south and west.

The first of this family we have found upon record was,



Blair Castle—From North

"My native vale! My native vale! In visions and in dreams I see your towers and trees, and hear the music of your streams."—

"A castle built when men knew how to build upon a rock."—Selected.

—o—

I. ALEXANDER DE BLAIR who flourished in the reigns of William the Lion, and his son Alexander II. who succeeded him, anno 1214.

He married Ela, daughter of Hugh de Nyden of that ilk, and got a charter, in which are these words: "To and in favours of ALEXANDER BLAIR, and Ela his spouse, daughter of Hugo de Nyden of the lands of Konakin in Fife-shire, holding of the bishop of St. Andrews, to which Malcolm seventh earl of Fife, Duncan and David his brothers, are witnesses."

This charter has no date, but Malcolm earl of Fife succeeded his father anno 1203, and died in 1230.

By her he got also a part of the lands of Nyden in Fife, which continued long in the family's possession. He was father of—

II. SIR WILLIAM DE BLAIR, of whom there are many documents. He was Stewart of Fife, and had the honour of Knighthood conferred upon him by King Alexander II. This is instructed from the chartulary of Dunfermline, where "*dominus Willielmus de Blair, senescallus de Fife,*" is particularly mentioned, anno 1235.

He was also witness in a charter of Malcolm eighth earl of Fife, together with Andrew bishop of Murray, who died anno 1242.

He had two sons; (1) SIR ALEXANDER, his heir; (2) WALTER, who is mentioned in a charter of Friskin de Moravia, anno 1260.

He appears to have died in the beginning of the reign of king Alexander III. and was succeeded by his eldest son.

III. SIR ALEXANDER BLAIR, who is designed "*dominus Alexander de Blair, miles,*" in a charter of Malcolm eighth earl of Fife, "*de ecclesia de Innerawn, etc.*" in or before the year 1266, in which year earl Malcolm died.

He married Helen, sister of sir William Ramsay, which will appear by a writ hereafter narrated, and by her he had a son and successor,

IV. JOHN BLAIR, who is instructed by the following writ, in which are these words, "*Johannes de Blair, filius et haeres domini Alexandri de Blair, militis,* etc." with the consent of Constantine de Lochore, his tutor, Helen Ramsay his mother and Willielmus de Ramsay his uncle, whereby he gives the priory of St. Andrews, liberty of a miln on the lands of Nyden, belonging to the said JOHN BLAIR,

etc. but to last only during his minority. This deed is dated anno 1266. He had a son,

V. DAVID de BLAIR, who, in his father's lifetime, when but a young man, was, with many of his countrymen, compelled to swear fealty to king Edward I. of England, when he had over-run Scotland anno 1296.

What part he acted in the reign of Robert Bruce is not come to our knowledge, but he died in the reign of his son king David, leaving issue two sons, (1) PATRICK, his heir; (2) THOMAS, progenitor of the BLAIRS OF ARDBLAIR. Vide that title. He was succeeded by his eldest son,

VI. PATRICK de BLAIR, the first we have designed of Balthyock, which hath ever since continued to be the chief title of this family.

He was possessed of a considerable estate in the shires of Fife, Perth, and Angus, which appears by the five following charters, viz:

1. A charter of the land of Quilt, in Fife, from Allan de Erskine lord of Inchmartin the superior, dated 1369.

2. A charter of the lands of Balthyock in Perth-shire, from Nicholas de Erskine lord of Kinnoul the superior, dated 22d October 1370.

3. Charter from Robert earl of Fife and Menteith, "*dilecto consanguineo suo Patricio de Blair*," confirming the lands of Quilt to him, anno 1376.

4. Charter from king Robert II. of the lands of Balgilloch in Forfar-shire, dated the 17th year of his reign, which is 1388.

5. Charter of resignation of William de Menteith of the lands of Balgillo in Forfar-shire, "*Patricio Blair de Balthyock, etc.*" dated in 1393.

PATRICK of Balthyock died soon thereafter, having married the daughter and co-heiress of John Ardler of that ilk. By her he had a son,

VII. THOMAS BLAIR, second baron of Balthyock, who succeeded him and got a charter under the great seal from King Robert III. "*Thomae de Blair, filio et haeredi Patricii Blair de Balthyock*," of the lands of Aldlare, Baldowry, and Balgilloch in Forfar-shire, dated the 10th year of his reign, which is 1399, with a precept of sasine following thereon of the same date.

He got a charter upon the resignation of Walter Haliburton of that ilk, and William Erskine of Kinnoul, of the lands of Balconally and pertinents in Perthshire, dated penult. of June 1410.

To whom this THOMAS was married we have not discovered; but he left two sons, (1) DAVID, his heir; (2) PATRICK, who married Christian Ogilvy, which is instructed by a deed of Alexander Oguston of that ilk, in favors of Christian Ogilvy, relict of PATRICK BLAIR son of umquhille THOMAS BLAIR of Balthyock, of the ward of the lands of Balclunoch, etc. in Forfarshire, dated 25th July, 1442. He was succeeded by his eldest son,

VIII. DAVID BLAIR of Balthyock, who set in tack all his lands in the parish of Quylt in Fife-shire, to William Lindsay of —, anno 1425. He died in the reign of king James III. and was succeeded by his son,

IX. THOMAS BLAIR of Balthyock, who was one of the gentlemen upon several inquests in settling the marches of the lands of the abbacy of Arbroath, with their neighbors in the years 1483 and 1484. He had two sons, (1) ALEXANDER, his heir; (2) JOHN, of Balmyle and Potento. He appears to have died in the beginning of the reign of king James IV. and was succeeded by his son,

X. ALEXANDER BLAIR of Balthyock, who was served heir to his father THOMAS. anno 1493. He is also mentioned in a charter, under the great seal, to his grandson hereafter narrated.

He married Jean, daughter of Andrew third lord Gray by Lady Elizabeth Stewart his wife, daughter of John earl of Athole. By her he had a son,

XI. THOMAS BLAIR of Balthyock, who succeeded him and was infeft in the lands and barony of Balthyock. etc., etc., as son and heir of ALEXANDER BLAIR of Balthyock his father, anno 1509.

He got a charter under the great seal, "*Thomae Blair de Balthyock, terrarum de Ardlair, Bardowie, etc., etc., baroniae de Ardlair. de novo unit*," in the shires of Fife, Perth, and Forfar, dated 10th January 1542. He was also appointed baillie upon the water of Tay, etc., by a charter under the great seal, dated 23 August 1553. He left issue two sons and three daughters,—(1) ALEXANDER, his heir; (2) GILBERT, to whom he gave the lands of Inchira, by charter under the great seal,



"Gilberto Blair, terrarum de Inchira, etc.," dated 22d July 1602; but he dying without succession, his estate returned to the family, (1st) daughter, CATHERINE, married to Thomas Chalmers of Northleys, which appears by a charter under the great seal, "Thomae Chalmers de Northleys, et Catharinae Blair, filiae Thomae Blair de Balthyock, ejus sponsae, terrarum de Northleys, etc.," dated May 30th 1549; (2d) ISABELLA, married to John Lindsay of Evelick, and had issue; (3rd) CHRISTIAN, married to ALEXANDER BLAIR of Balgroy. He was succeeded by his son,

XII. ALEXANDER BLAIR of Balthyock, who was served and retoured heir to THOMAS BLAIR of Balthyock, his father, in the lands and barony of Balthyock, in Perthshire, anno 1568. He got a charter under the great seal, "Alexandro Blair, filio et haeredi Thomae Blair, filii et haeredis Alexandri Blair de Balthyock, terrarum de Nether Balmyle et Potento, in baronia de Meigle et vicecomitat. de Perth, dated 31st of January 1574.

This Balthyock was a man of parts and integrity, and highly esteemed by king James VI. which sufficiently appears by a friendly letter wrote with his majesty's own hand to him concerning his teinds, and other affairs in that part of the country, wherein he expresses himself in the most kind manner, and says, he confides chiefly in him for the management of all his concerns in that neighborhood, etc., The letter, which is still preserved, is dated 13th September 1579. He married, Elizabeth, daughter of sir Laurence Mercer of Aldie, by whom he had three sons and one daughter;—(1) LAURENCE, his apparent heir; (2) THOMAS, who went to France in the reign of king James VI. of Scotland, where he settled and married a lady of rank and distinction, whose posterity have flourished with lustre in that kingdom ever since, and of whom are descended several families which now make a considerable figure, viz. One settled at Bearn, whose representative is an officer in the army, and was in the regiment of Fitz-James; another is settled at Mentz, whose representative is now a counsellor of that town, and hath several brother officers of rank in the army; and Mr. de Blair, representative of a fourth branch, is settled at Paris, is now master of requests and intendant of Alsace. They all retain the name of BLAIR, and have been allied by marriage with some of the most considerable families in France, viz. de Gesvres, de la Rochefoucault, viscount de Agremont, baron de Novailles, the counts de Champignelle, de Brimont, des Gilbert, des Jolly, des Fleury, etc., etc.,

ALEXANDER of Balthyock's third son, PATRICK BLAIR, Esq., was progenitor of the BLAIRS of Pittendreich, Glascune, etc.

These three brothers are all vouched by a charter under the great seal, "Alexandro Blair de Balthyock, Elisabethae Mercer ejus sponsae, Laurentio, Thomae, et Patricio Blairs, eorum filiis, terrarum de Godynes, etc. in vicecomitat. de Forfar," dated 28th July 1581.

His daughter was married to George, son and heir apparent of John Charteris of Kinfauns. He died anno 1603.

XIII. LAURENCE, his eldest son and apparent heir, upon his father's resignation got a charter under the great seal, "Laurentio de Blair, filio legitimo matu maximo Alexandri Blair de Balthyock, terrarum de Bauchland, Overtoun de Friartoun, etc., etc., in Perthshire, dated the last day of December 1600. He died soon thereafter, (his father being still alive) and left a son,

XIV. ALEXANDER, who was infeft in the lands and barony of Balthyock. as heir to ALEXANDER his grandfather. anno 1604.

He married Elizabeth, daughter of sir George Haliburton of Pitcur, by whom he had a son, THOMAS, afterwards sir THOMAS, his heir,—and two daughters; (1) GILES, married to Alexander Carnegie of Balmamoon; (2) ELISABETH, married to James Arbuthnot of Arrat, brother-german of sir Robert Arbuthnot of that ilk. He died anno 1620, and was succeeded by his son,

XV. Sir THOMAS BLAIR of Balthyock, who was served and retoured heir to his father, anno 1621. He had the honour of knighthood conferred upon him by king Charles I. and got a charter under the great seal, "domino Thomae Blair de Balthyock, militi, terrarum de Gardrum in vicecom. de Perth." dated 13th March 1637. And another charter of the lands and barony of Ardlair, etc. in Perthshire, "de novo unit." 25th June 1642. He married first, Margaret, daughter of Sir John Ayton of that ilk, in the county of Fife, by whom he had three sons and five daughters. (1) Sir ALEXANDER, his heir; (2) ANDREW of Inchyra, who got two charters under the great seal, "Andrae Blair de Inchyra, fratri germano domini Alexandri Blair de

Balthyock," of the lands of Inchyriff, Argeith, etc. in Perthshire, the first dated 3rd of March 1662, the other 5th of March 1663. (3) JOHN of Balmyle, who got a charter under the great seal, "*Magistro Johanni Blair, fratri germano domini Alexandri Blair de Balthyock et sponsae ejus, dimidietat, terrarum de Nether Balmyle, etc.*" in Perthshire, dated 16th July 1668. (1st) daughter, was married to sir Gilbert Ramsay of Banff. (2)....., to ..... Butter of Gormick; (3) ..... to ..... Graham of Balgowan; (4) ..... to ..... Haliburton of Fotherans; (5) ..... to ..... Graham of Potento.

He married, 2dly, Margaret, daughter of Sir Alexander Gibson of Durie, relict of Thomas Fotheringham of Powrie; but it does not appear he had any issue by her. He died about the year 1652, and was succeeded by his eldest son.

XVI. Sir ALEXANDER BLAIR of Balthyock, who was served and retoured heir to his father sir THOMAS anno 1653. He married Elisabeth, daughter of Thomas Fotheringham of Powrie, heir of line of that family, she being the only child of the said Thomas by Margaret his wife, daughter of sir Alexander Gibson of Durie, and by her he had three sons and two daughters; (1) THOMAS, his heir; (2) JOHN, who carried on the line of this family; (3) ANDREW, doctor of medicine, father of JOHN BLAIR, Esq.; writer in Edinburgh, who died without succession, (1st) daughter, ELISABETH, married to James Carnegie of Newgate; (2) MARGARET, married to the reverend Mr. Thomas Strachan; He died anno 1692, and was succeeded by his eldest son,

XVII. THOMAS BLAIR of Balthyock, who was served and retoured heir to his father sir ALEXANDER, anno 1693. He married Jean Pringle, relict of ..... Buchanan of Lenie; but, dying without issue, anno 1703, was succeeded by his brother,

XVII. JOHN BLAIR of Balthyock, who was served and retoured heir to his brother, anno 1705. He married, Margaret, daughter of Patrick Butter of Gormack, by whom he had only one daughter,

XVIII. MARGARET, his sole heiress, who succeeded to the estate of Balthyock and anno 1723, was married to David, son of Mr. David Drummond advocate, who, in consequence of this marriage assumed the name and arms of Blair of Balthyock. He died anno 1728, and by the said MARGARET BLAIR, left a son and successor,

XIX. JOHN BLAIR, of Balthyock, who married Patricia, daughter of John Stevens, Esq.; an eminent banker in Edinburgh, by whom he had issue one son,

DAVID, his apparent heir and a daughter,

MARGARET.

ARMS. Argent, a chevron sable, between three tortoises gules.

Crest; a dove, with her wings expanded, proper.

Motto; Virtute tutus.

Chief Seat; At Balthyock, etc., in Perthshire.

—From clippings furnished by Mrs. C. B. Blair 1928.

—o—

### THE BLAIR FAMILY OF ARDBLAIR

"It's a Poor Compliment to Our Fathers to Camp where They Fell."—Roosevelt.

This family is a branch of the BLAIRS OF BALTHYOCK.

DAVID BLAIR, the fifth generation of that ancient house in a direct male line, lived in the reign of king Robert Bruce, and left issue two sons,

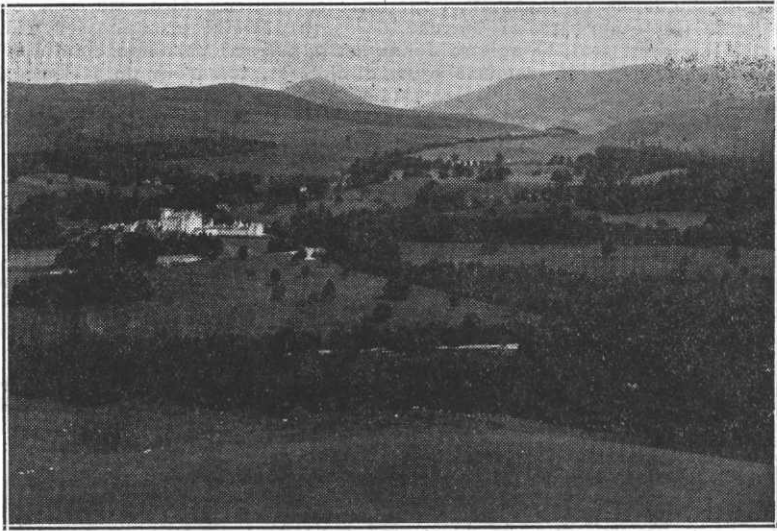
1. PATRICK BLAIR of Balthyock, his successor;

2. THOMAS, the first of this family.

I. THOMAS BLAIR, second son of DAVID of Balthyock, was proprietor of the lands of Mulyne in Perthshire, and was designed by that title. He lived in the reigns of king David Bruce and Robert II. and left issue five sons;

II. WILLIM, his heir;— 2. THOMAS;— 3. JOHN;— 4. PATRICK;— 5. ALEXANDER, who are all mentioned in a charter hereafter narrated. He was succeeded by his eldest son,

II. WILLIAM BLAIR of Mulyne, who made a considerable figure in the reigns of king Robert III. and James I.



Blair Castle and Valley of the Tilt.

He acquired from sir William Hay of Naughton, the lands and barony of Ardblair, which appears by a charter, wherein are these words: "Willielmus de Haya miles, dominus de Naughton, baroniae de Muirtown, et terrarum de Ardblair, cum pertinent, jacen. infra vices-comitat. de Perth: .Noveritis me dedisse, nobili viro Willeilmo de Blair domino de Mulyne, totam et integram baroniam mean de Muirtown, ac etiam terras de Ardblair, etc. pro suis multiplicibus beneficiis, mihi saepius per eundem impensis, etc. tenent. de rege, etc. Testibus Patricio de Ogilvy, de Angus, Waltero de Ogilvy domino de Lintrethan, Thoma de Fotheringham scutifero," etc., etc. This charter contains an entail of the lands of Ardblair, etc. "To William Blair of Mulyne, and the heirs—male of his body; which failing, to THOMAS de BLAIR his brother german, and the heirs—male of his body; and in like manner, to his brothers JOHN, PATRICK, and ALEXANDER; which all failing, to the nearest heirs whatever of the said WILLIAM, etc., etc., etc."

The charter and entail, dated 8th August 1423, are narrated and confirmed by a charter under the great seal from Murdoch, duke of Albany, governor of Scotland, dated the 23rd day of the said month of August 1423, before the above-named witnesses; and this WILLIAM and his successors have ever since been designed by the title of Ardblair, tho' they were the proprietors of several other lands and baronies. He was succeeded by his eldest son,

III. WILLIAM BLAIR, second baron of Ardblair, who sold the barony of Weddershaugh to William Graham of Auld-Montrose, which is instructed by a discharge from this WILLIAM of Ardblair, to the said William Graham for a certain sum as the price of the said lands, dated 20th April 1457. He died soon thereafter, leaving issue two sons,

1. WILLIAM, his heir; 2. James, of whom afterwards.

IV. WILLIAM BLAIR, third baron of Ardblair, who mortgaged part of his lands to James Scrymgeor constable of Dundee, for a certain sum of money paid by the said James to him, etc. This appears by an original writ in which are these words: "Be it kend, etc. Me James Scrymgeor constable of Dundee to be bounden and obleist to an honorable man WILLIAM BLAIR of Ardblair, his heirs, etc. notwithstanding the said WILLIAM has analized to me by charter and possession of four merks per annum, to be raised out of the said lands of the barony of Hiltown in the shire of Kincardine, for a certain sum of money paid by me to him, etc. I oblige me, my heirs, etc. purely and simply to resign to the said WILLIAM, his heirs, etc. all and hail the said annual, with the charters and other writs, etc. whenever the said WILLIAM or his heirs pays to me or my heirs the sum of 40 merks Scots money, etc., etc." dated at Dundee 15th March 1468, to which the constable's seal is



appended. This WILLIAM dying without issue in the end of the reign of king James III. was succeeded by his brother,

IV. JAMES, who, in his brothers's lifetime, acquired from Patrick master of Gray, the third part of the lands of Westfield of Dundee, 27th April 1461. He afterwards succeeding his brother, was fourth baron of Ardblair. In a submission betwixt the abbots of Cupar and Scoon concerning the marches betwixt Carfev and the moor of Blair, the arbiters were BLAIR of Balthyock, JAMES BLAIR, ARD-BLAIR, Blair of Bandochy, Rattray of Kinvid, etc., etc. anno 1490. He died in the reign of James IV. and left issue a son and successor,

V. JOHN BLAIR of Ardblair, who married Elisabeth, daughter of Silvester Rattray of Craighall, which appears by a charter under the great seal from king James V. "*Johanni Blair de Ardblair, et Elisabethae Rattray, ejus sponsae, terrarum de Wester Kinloch in vice-comitat. de Perth,*" etc. dated 19th November 1530. He left issue a son,

VI. ANDREW BLAIR of Ardblair, who succeeded him, and, in the reign of queen Mary, married Margaret, daughter of Patrick Butter, of Gormack, by whom he had a son and heir,

VII. PATRICK BLAIR of Ardblair, who married first Isabel, daughter of George Ramsay of Banff, by Elisabeth his wife, daughter of Laurence Mercer of Aldie; and upon the resignation of his father ANDREW, got a charter under the great seal from king James VI. "*Patricio Blair, apparenti de Ardblair, et Isabelle Ramsay ejus sponsae,*" etc. in Perthshire, dated 4th February 1590. By Isabel Ramsay he had two sons and three daughters; 1) JAMES, his heir; (2) PATRICK, to whom he gave the lands of Knockinchard. He married, and had a son PATRICK BLAIR merchant in Aberdeen, etc. 1st daughter was married to ..... Fowler of Bandirran; 2. To ..... Cargill of Haltoun of Rattray; 3. Married to ..... Lundie of Glaswell.

This PATRICK married 2dly ..... BLAIR, widow of ..... Falconer of Glenfarquhar by whom she had a son, JOHN, to whom he gave the lands of Balude. This JOHN married Jean, daughter of PATRICK BLAIR, and had three sons; 1. JAMES his heir; 2. GILBERT, minister of the gospel at Blairgowrie; 3. JOHN, of Polcack, etc.

He got a charter under the great seal, "*Patricio Blair de Ardblair, umbralis dimidietat. terrarum de Kinloch Wester. cum piscationibus.*" etc., etc. dated the last day of November 1615. And dying soon thereafter was succeeded by his eldest son.

VIII. JAMES BLAIR of Ardblair, who got a charter under the great seal from king Charles I. of the lands and barony of Ardblair, Corstoun of Ardblair, Ersindie, etc. in Perthshire, dated anno 1626. He married Margaret, a daughter of sir JOHN BLAIR of Balgillo, by ..... Haliburton his wife, a daughter of Pitcur, and by her he had three sons and four daughters; 1. JOHN, his heir; 2. THOMAS, a minister of Blairgowrie; 3. DAVID, a gallant officer. He defended the Bass, which was the last place held out for king James VII. in Britain. He went to France to his royal master, and died there without issue. 1st daughter Isabel, was married to John Robertson of Bandirran, whose grandson is provost Alexander Robertson merchant in Dundee. 2. .... married to ..... Gray of Drummillie; 3. .... married to Nairn of Tilliefergus; 4. .... married to ..... Patullo of Kinnochtrie. He suffered many hardships during the troubles in the reign of King Charles I. died before the year 1660, and was succeeded by his eldest son,

IX. JAMES BLAIR (or JOHN BLAIR-Ed.) of Ardblair, a steady loyalist, who in his father's lifetime, was greatly distressed on account of his attachment to the interest of the royal family. He had the command of a troop of horse at duke Hamilton's engagement; and, after the restoration, was appointed captain of the Perthshire militia, of which sir James Mercer of Aldie was colonel.

He got a charter under the great seal from king Charles II. "*Johanni Blair de Ardblair, terrarum dominicalium de Gormack,*" etc. in Perthshire, dated 2d February 1663. He married Isabel, daughter of commissary James Stewart of Ladywell, sister-german of that great loyalist sir Gilbert Stewart of Polcack, who had the honour of knighthood conferred upon him at the restoration of king Charles II. and by her he had a son,

JAMES, his heir—and several daughters. 1 KATHARINE, died unmarried; 3. ELISABETH, married to Thomas Ireland of Parkhead, and had issue. He was succeeded by his son,

X. JAMES BLAIR of Ardblair, who married Margaret daughter and sole heiress of colonel PATRICK BLAIR of Little Blair, a younger son of PATRICK BLAIR of Pittendrie, third son of ALEXANDER BLAIR of Balthyock, and got with her

a considerable accession to his estate. He was a man of parts, and much esteemed in the country. He was a captain of the militia, a justice of the peace, one of the commissioners of supply for the county of Perth, etc., etc. but gave up all public business after the revolution. By the said MARGARET BLAIR he had many children, of whom only two sons survived him; 1. JAMES, who became his heir; 2. Gilbert.

He died anno 1724 in the 68th year of his age, and was succeeded by his eldest surviving son,

XL JAMES BLAIR of Ardblair, who, being born a younger brother, was bred to the business of a merchant, and became an eminent banker in Edinburgh, one of the directors of the bank of Scotland, etc. But soon after his father's death he retired to his seat in the country, where he lived in great hospitality and economy, and made several new acquisitions, and greatly improved his paternal estate. He married Christian Forrester, daughter of Mr. William Forrester, writer to the signet. by Rachel his wife, daughter of David Balfour of Forrest, a lord of session and justiciary. By the said Christian Forrester he had several children, who are all now dead without issue, except two daughters, upon whom and their issue he settled his estate; whoever so succeeding being obliged to carry the name and arms of Blair of Ardblair.

1. MARGARET, married to lieutenant-colonel William Fullerton of that ilk in Forfarshire; 2. RACHEL, married to Dr. Joseph Robertson.

ARMS: The same with Balthyock, with a mullet for his difference.

CHIEF SEAT: At Ardblair in Perthshire.

—From clippings sent by Mrs. C. B. Blair.  
To be Continued.

#### PENNSYLVANIA—NORTH CAROLINA BLAIRS

"One ship sails East, and another sails West, with the very same winds that blow; 'Tis the set of the sails and not the gales that tells them the way to go. Like the winds of the sea are the ways of fate as we voyage along through life. 'Tis the set of the soul that decides the goal, and not the calm or the strife."

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

COLBERT BLAIR, (1), is said to have come to North Carolina from Pennsylvania about 1775, and to have first settled near Lenoir. Afterwards he removed to Guilford county, but later returned to Caldwell, where he died, and was buried in the churchyard at Cedar Valley. His wife was Sarah Morgan, a daughter of General Morgan of Revolutionary fame, and was a niece of "Squire Boone" and a cousin of Daniel Boone. Their children were: JAMES, wounded at the battle of Ramsaur's Mills; JOHN, born July, 6, 1764, married Frances Hill of Guilford; ENOS, died May 13, 1834, married Hannah Millikan, died January 14, 1852; COLBERT (2), married ..... Powell, moved to Kentucky and later farther west.

JOHN BLAIR and Frances Hill had: JAMES BLAIR, married Dicy Fortune, spent his life in Caldwell county, and had two children a son and a daughter; WILLIAM, said to have gone to Greenbriar county, W. Va., wife's name unknown; THOMAS, married Susan Edmundson, and had a son and a daughter; COLBERT (3), married Margaret ("Polly") Barnes and had a large family in Watauga; MARY, married Matthew Cox and removed to Indiana; HENRY, married Mary Steele and settled in Watauga, and had two sons—ELIJAH STEELE BLAIR and Dr. J. .... C. .... BLAIR of Lenoir; ELIZABETH, married ..... Steele and moved to the west; JOHN, married Abigail McRay and lived to be over ninety; ELIJAH, died unmarried; MORGAN, married Elizabeth McLeod and had a family of ten; ELIAS, died young; FRANCIS, married ..... Collins and settled in West Virginia; ENOS, died in infancy;

ENOS BLAIR who died May 13, 1834, and married Hannah Millikan (who died January 14, 1852), had: JESSE born January 9, 1776, married Ann Smith; SARAH, born April 13, 1777, married William Haggart; JANE, born September 4, 1778, married Judge ..... Lowe and lived in Indiana; ENOS born May 18, 1780, went west; ABNER, born April 3, 1783; SOLOMON, born December 10, 1785, married Nancy Clark; MARTHA born November 27, 1787, married Joseph Tomlinson; HANNAH born January 23, 1790, died in infancy; JOSIAH born January 22, 1792,

married Jane Tomlinson; RUTH born August 7, 1794, married ..... White and went west; NATHAN born September 9, 1799, married Sarah Kimes; JOHN born July 5, 1800, married Elizabeth Tomlinson.

JOHN BLAIR and his wife Elizabeth Tomlinson had: 1—AUGUSTINE WASHINGTON BLAIR born July 13, 1820, an officer in the Mexican War, went to California, was an attorney-at-law, married ..... in California, became a judge, and had a daughter AUGUSTINE (Gussie) who married; 2—ANNE ENGLISH BLAIR born July 5, 1821, married ..... Joash Reynolds, had Cyrus, Cordelia, Lindley, Veturia, Lorena, Franklin, Addison, Mary and Martha, and died January 23, 1898; 3—ENOS TOMLINSON BLAIR born November 27, 1822, married ..... 1869 Priscilla Branson, was a member of the state senate of N. C. for a number of terms, had a son JOHN who is now a member of the state legislature, and died December 12, 1891; 4—SAMUEL CLARKSON BLAIR born March 6, 1824, married Mary Millikan, had FOSTINE, FRANKLIN, LULU, and MARGARET, and died April 8, 1905; 5—HANNAH MILLIKAN BLAIR born July 26, 1825 married Abner Gray and had two children; 6—SOLOMON ISAAC BLAIR born February 11, 1827, married Abigail Prudence Hunt September 9, 1858 (she born August 5, 1829 and died February 13, 1906), became a farmer and teacher, held a railroad position, was prominent in church and educational work, had WILLIAM ALLEN BLAIR, JOHN JAY BLAIR, SAMUEL HUNT BLAIR, ADA and EMMA (twins), DAVID HUNT BLAIR and MARY ELIZABETH BLAIR (twins) and ELVA JANE BLAIR, and died July 3, 1896; 7—OLIVE JANE BLAIR born February 25, 1829, married ..... 1860 Henry Beeson, had Elizabeth, Sidney, John, Martha, Abigail and Annie, and died August 9, 1906; 8—JOSEPH ADDISON BLAIR born July 5, 1830, married ..... 1875 Martha White, became a lawyer, and was prominent in politics, had FLORENCE, COLBERT, LENA, GARLAND, ETTA and ANNIE, and died October 1, 1902; 9—BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BLAIR born June 29, 1833, married Rachel Anderson, was a leader in educational and church work, a farmer, and a leading citizen in Randolph county, had AUGUSTIN, EDWARD, RUTH, WALTER, ROBERT, JOEL and FRANKLIN jr.; 10—WILLIAM ALLEN BLAIR born January 4, 1835; 11—MARTHA MIRANDA BLAIR born March 3, 1837, married David Hodgkin January 8, 1857 (who was born October 25, 1829 and died December 17, 1898); 12—MARY ELIZABETH born May 18, 1839, married 1st JESSE C. .... BLAIR November 12, 1861, he dying January 17, 1866, and 2d Lewis Starbuck October 7, 1869 who died August 25, 1879.

JOSEPH ADDISON BLAIR (1830-1902) and Martha White (born August 21, 1857) had: 1—FLORENCE E. .... BLAIR born June 18, 1876, unmarried; 2—LENA MAY BLAIR born September 17, 1877, married December 20, 1898, Capt. Alex. M. .... Rankin and has five children (Margaret Louise born November 6, 1899—Alex. Martin jr. born July 30, 1902—William born February 17, 1909 died February 15, 1913—Dorothy Lee born August 19, 1912—Robert born July 23, 1917); 3—COLBERT ENOS BLAIR born April 26, 1879; 4—GARLAND ARCHDALE BLAIR born June 14, 1881; 5—MARGARET ETTA born December 15, 1883 married January 13, 1913 Robert Morrow Noble and has a daughter Margaret BLAIR Noble born November 9, 1913; 6—ANNIE LEGGETT BLAIR born July 8, 1886, married December 21, 1910 Ernest Lee Annon and has a son Ernest Lee Annon born June 5, 1913.

HENRY BLAIR (son of JOHN and Frances Hill), and Mary Steele, had: ELIJAH STEELE BLAIR born June 14, 1838, married Corinna Finley May 17, 1870 (she born August 10, 1849) and he died January 13, 1911 at North Wilkesboro, N. C. having had seven children: 1—NELLIE BLAIR born March 26, 1871, married Joseph Lee Clements of N. Wilkesboro, N. C. April 26, 1899, had William Gwyn, born June 28, 1900 died November 24, 1901—Corinna Finley born September 5, 1902—and Nellie BLAIR Clements born January 7, 1911 who died October 2, 1911; 2—CORA BLAIR born February 17, 1872, died December 25, 1883; 3—TATE BLAIR born August 20, 1873, married Richard Walter Gwyn of N. Wilkesboro, N. C. November 25, 1896 and had—Frances Corinna Gwyn born September 15, 1897 died September 13, 1898—Margaret Tate born July 15, 1889—Richard BLAIR and Mary (twins) born March 7, 1902 (Richard died June 29, 1902, and Mary died July 16, 1902)—Nellie BLAIR born July 7, 1905—Richard Walter jr. and William BLAIR (twins) born November 25, 1911; 4—FRANK P. .... BLAIR born July 9, 1876, married Estelle Davis April 3, 1902 and had FRANK P. .... BLAIR jr., born September 13, 1906; 5—WALTER BLAIR born October 16, 1878 and married Lucile Gibson August 16, 1904, and died April 5, 1905; 6—WILLIAM FINLEY BLAIR born July 5, 1884, married Alma Wright June 9, 1909 and had an infant son born June 19 1912 died June 20, 1912; 7—HENRY

THEODORE BLAIR born March 25, 1887, unmarried. This family has for some years lived at North Wilkesboro, N. C.

WILLIAM ALLEN BLAIR (born June 4, 1859, son of JOHN BLAIR and Elizabeth Tomlinson) married November 20, 1895, Mary Fries and has three children: MARGARET BLAIR, MARIAN BLAIR, and JOHN FRIES BLAIR. MARGARET was born ..... and married Robert McQuiston on ....., and has three children—Robert, Marian and Erdmoth Dorothea. WILLIAM ALLEN BLAIR (1859— ) is Active Member 28 of the BLAIR SOCIETY, a graduate of Haverford 1881, of Harvard 1882, a professor in the Carolina Normal Schools (1883-4-5), graduate student Johns Hopkins University, Lecturer on Science of Teaching (Swarthmore 1886), Superintendent of Normal School N. C., and of Winston schools, President, Director and other officer of sundry banks, manufactories, writer of books, attorney-at-law, Life Member Audubon Society, of Southern Historical Society, President State Board of Charities, Special Aide to President at Inauguration with rank of Colonel, etc.; being President of the Peoples' National Bank of Winston-Salem, N. C., V. P. of another bank, a director in four banks, a director in at least twenty corporations, and holding other offices of trust. His four sisters—ANNIE ENGLISH BLAIR (Reynolds), HANNAH MILLIKAN BLAIR (Gray), MARTHA MIRANDA BLAIR (Hodgin), and MARY ELIZABETH BLAIR (Starbuck), are all living at the old home place in High Point, Randolph county, N. C. JOHN JAY BLAIR his brother, is unmarried, is considered a leading artist, and has always been prominent in educational work; he is a state officer and lives in Raleigh, N. C. Hon. DAVID HUNT BLAIR, another brother, is a prominent lawyer, married Adelaide, the daughter of Hon. J. W. Cannon, and for eight years has served as U. S. Commissioner of Internal Revenue. His home is in Washington, D. C.



MORGAN BLAIR (son of JOHN BLAIR and Frances Hill, g. son of COLBERT BLAIR and Sarah Morgan), married Elizabeth McLeod (1817-1877), and had ten children: 1—MILTON BENJAMIN BLAIR (1839-1905) married Amanda Hickman ..... 1870 and had WILLIAM, ETTA, DELIA, SAWYER and HILL BLAIR; 2—JOHN CALDWELL BLAIR (1841-1885), married Sophronia Teague ..... 1874, and had FITZ, HUGH, DEC, NEWLAND and JOHN CALDWELL; 3—FRANCES MARY ANN BLAIR (1843- ), married Harvey Meadows December 1882, and ..... 1901 married Stephen Allred and has no children; 4—SARAH JANE BLAIR (1845- ), married Elisha Oxford 1881, and has Hugh Blair Oxford, Ivey Oxford, and Bessie Oxford; 5—NANCY ELIZABETH BLAIR (1857- ), married Witaker Smith Morehead 1867, and has no children; 6—WILLIAM FRANKLIN BLAIR (1849-1862); 7—HARTWELL SPAIN BLAIR (1851- ), married Sarah Elizabeth Deal ..... 1874, and had CLARENCE MORGAN BLAIR, ESTELLE BLAIR, and COLLYER BLAIR; 8—HUGH McLEOD BLAIR (1853- ), married Effie Bell .... 1878, Laura A. Ramsauer ..... 1903 and has a daughter; 9—ENOS HILL BLAIR (1855-1860); 10—EMMA ROENA BLAIR (1857-1862).

HARTWELL SPAIN BLAIR (1851- ), is an attorney-at-law, lives at Winklemann, Arizona, was a member of the North Carolina State Senate 1891-92, and for several years was editor of Lenoir Topic, then went to Oklahoma in 1906, elected state senator there. His daughter had charge of the State Department of Charities and Public Welfare in Oklahoma. Her health failed and caused them to move to Arizona.

Dr. HUGH McLEOD BLAIR is a very prominent Methodist minister living in Greensboro, N. C., and is also editor of the church paper. He married Effie Bell November 7, 1878, she died ..... 1902, and he then married Laura A. Ramsauer August 18, 1903. One daughter by his first wife was born March 15, 1885 named ERA BALL BLAIR who married Everett E. Hartwell May 4, 1916.

MARTHA MIRANDA BLAIR, daughter of JOHN BLAIR and Elizabeth Tomlinson, grand-daughter of ENOS BLAIR and Hannah Millikan, and great grand-daughter of COLBERT BLAIR and Sarah Morgan, was born March 11, 1837, married January 8, 1857 David Hodgin and had: Algernon Sidney Hodgin born December 5, 1857, died October 13, 1862; Franklin Seward Hodgin born December 1, 1858, died October 18, 1862; Edwin BLAIR Hodgin born August 29, 1860; Robert Eugene Hodgin born March 1, 1862; Simeon Addison Hodgin born February 15, 1864; Sarah Elizabeth Hodgin born April 7, 1865; David Albion Hodgin born January 10, 1867; Jesse Augustine



Hodgin born January 12, 1869; Anna Jane Hodgin born May 16, 1870; Samuel Horace Hodgin born September 11, 1872; Martha Corinna Hodgin born February 28, 1874; John Ernest Hodgin born May 5, 1876; Thomas Elmer Hodgin born October 2, 1878.

THOMAS ALLEN BLAIR, son of JOSIAH BLAIR and Jane Tomlinson, grandson of ENOS BLAIR and Hannah Millikan, and great-grandson of COLBERT BLAIR and Sarah Morgan, was born ....., married Miss Sarah English June 24, 1852, and had: MARIETTA BLAIR born July 10, 1853 died December ..... 1917, married December 25, 1900 William D. Mendenhall (his second wife), who had married for his first wife her sister MATTIE; MARIETTA had no children; MARTHA (Mattie) BLAIR born June 18, 1859, died ..... 1893 and had married ..... 19 .. William D. Mendenhall (above named) and had six children—Edward J....., unmarried; Robert Carl married Lena Wharton and had one child, Sarah; Etta married J..... W..... Burke and had Ruth, William, Edward and DeLacy; William BLAIR Mendenhall unmarried; Martha married J..... W..... McLennon and had no children; Ruth Worth Mendenhall, unmarried; WILLIAM JOSIAH BLAIR born March 9, 1863 married Estelle Pugh June ..... 1898 and had MARY, WILLIAM, THOMAS and EDWARD; DORA ENGLISH BLAIR born January 25, 1865 married June 15, 1887 William Richard Richardson and had Amanda married June 24, 1914 Clarence B..... Mattocks and had Clarence BLAIR Mattocks, William BLAIR Richardson unmarried.

Edwin BLAIR Hodgin, son of MARTHA MIRANDA BLAIR daughter of JOHN BLAIR and great grandson of ENOS BLAIR, and great great-grandson of COLBERT BLAIR and Sarah Morgan, was born August 29, 1860, married March 15, 1893 Rachel Rodena Hockett and had: Vivian Rodena Hodgin born December 24, 1893, died December 23, 1909; Irving Chase Hodgin born August 19, 1896 died October 9, 1903; David Reid Hodgin born September 11, 1899; Francis Dwight Hodgin born November 24, 1902 and died October 1, 1903; Frances Chase Hodgin born February 3, 1905; Edwin BLAIR Hockett Hodgin, born March 7, 1908 and died July 12, 1909.

Robert Eugene Hodgin, brother of Edwin BLAIR Hodgin, was born March 1, 1862, married May 1, 1900 Sarah Ella Smith and had: David Eugene Hodgin born February 21, 1901; Mary Eugenia Hodgin born May 24, 1905; Anna Smith Hodgin born November 20, 1906; Robert BLAIR Hodgin born March 5, 1908; Kenneth Samuel Hodgin born April 26, 1910.

Simeon Addison Hodgin, brother of Edwin BLAIR Hodgin, was born February 15, 1864, married November 15, 1899 Laura Petty Field.

Sarah Elizabeth Hodgin, sister of the foregoing, was born April 7, 1865, married August 2, 1899 George W..... Hodgin and had: Worth Hodgin born October 14, 1900, died February 8, 1910; Emerson Hodgin born March 11, 1902; Wendell Hodgin born July 18, 1904; Russell Hodgin born September 14, 1905; Evelyn Hodgin born August 10, 1907.

David Albion Hodgin, brother of the foregoing, unmarried.

Jesse Augustine Hodgin, brother of the foregoing, married June 16, 1904 Miss Kate Glenn Hewell and had: Martha Blanche Hodgin born December 10, 1905.

Anna Jane Hodgin sister of the foregoing, unmarried.

Samuel Horace Hodgin, brother of the foregoing, married August 26, 1906 Miss Olive Jenkins and had: Olive Marion Hodgin born July 8, 1909; Samuel Horace Hodgin jr., born March 18, 1913.

Martha Corinna Hodgin, sister of the foregoing, unmarried.

John Ernest Hodgin, brother of the foregoing, married June 25, 1913 Aileen Ross Hodgin and had: Julia BLAIR Hodgin born May 30, 1914; John Ernest Hodgin jr. born March 4, 1916.

Thomas Elmer Hodgin, brother of the foregoing, married March 7 1908 Miss Kathryn Phillips and had: Thomas Elmer Hodgin jr., born February 5, 1909; William Kerr Hodgin born March 15, 1911; Martha Gertrude Hodgin born April 23, 1915; Benjamin Phillips Hodgin born May 10, 1917.

GEORGE BLAIR, son of HENRY BLAIR and Mary Steele, grandson of JOHN BLAIR and Frances Hill, and great grandson of Colbert BLAIR and Sarah Morgan, married 1st Mary Council and had: CHARLES EDWIN BLAIR, unmarried; JULIUS ROUSSEAU BLAIR married Annie Shearer of Lenoir, N. C.; HENRY NEIL BLAIR married Mattie Lee Sligh of Dyson, S. C.; CYNTHIA FLORENCE BLAIR married Gordon Balleu of Lenoir, N. C. and 2d he married Mary Rousseau.



HENRY BLAIR, son of JOHN BLAIR and Frances Hill, and grandson of COLBERT BLAIR and Sarah Morgan, married Mary Steele and had: JOHN C. . . . . BLAIR who married Susan Powell of Catawba; REBECCA BLAIR born August 28, 1835 married William Horton; GEORGE H. . . . . BLAIR born May 1846, died January 26, 1916, married 1st Mary Council of Boone, and 2d Mary Rousseau of Wilkesboro. —Furnished by William Allen Blair of Winston-Salem, N. C., from his family records.

---

BLAIR VITAL STATISTICS

## DEATHS.

BLAIR, JOHN CARL—b. . . . . 1900 at Greenbriar, Faulkner county, Arkansas; m. Vivian Troxell of the same place . . . . . 19. . . . d. January 14, 1929, in the hospital at Little Rock, Ark., aged 29 years. He was the son of JOSEPH KNOX BLAIR and Hattie Condray his wife; grand-son of JOHN WASHINGTON BLAIR and . . . . ., great grandson of WILLIAM BLAIR and . . . . ., great great grandson of JAMES BLAIR and . . . . ., great, great, grandson of WILLIAM BLAIR the ancestor who settled in Waxhaw county, N. C., after emigrating from County Antrim, Ireland. He is survived by his wife, Vivian Troxell Blair, his father, three sisters—Mrs. Ethel McNew, Mrs. Ruth Peel, and Mrs. Pearl Newman, all of Greenbriar, and a sister—Mrs. Myrtle Sabine, of Kansas City, MO.; three brothers—HERBERT BLAIR, of Arkansas county, Ark., RALPH BLAIR and ROY BLAIR, both of Kansas City, Mo.

—From Harvey Allen Blair, Little Rock, Ark.

---

BLAIR, JAMES ALLISON, born April 24, 1876 at College Springs, Iowa, married Grace Hurlburt October 8, 1900 at Loveland, Colo., was a son of JOSEPH BLAIR (May 10, 1843—Nov. 25, 1902) and Susannah Simpson, and grandson of JAMES BLAIR and Elizabeth Morrow, and great grandson of ROBERT BLAIR and Jean Allison. He was a large man physically, an active member of the Presbyterian church, having been an elder for many years. For many years he had been Supervisor of the White River Forest in Western Colorado. As a testimonial of the esteem in which his superiors held his services, the highest peak in the White River Forest, formerly called "Old Baldy," was named "BLAIR MOUNTAIN." This peak is over ten thousand feet in height. He died very suddenly of heart trouble on June 18, 1928, leaving surviving him his aged mother, his widow, (who has since been elected County Superintendent of Schools in their home county), one sister, MARY ELIZABETH BLAIR, Active Member number 50 of the BLAIR SOCIETY, who is principal of the Lincoln School in Loveland, Colorado, and one brother, LUTHER BURT BLAIR, also of Loveland, Colorado, who is with the County Treasurer's Office. He was a resident of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, which had been his official headquarters.

From Mary Elizabeth Blair, Loveland, Colorado.

---

WITHERS, FRANK E. . . . ., youngest child of G. . . . . S. . . . . Withers and MARY BLAIR Withers and nephew of Mrs. CLARIL BLAIR BLAIR, was born May 9, 1888 in Eddyville, Ky., and died July 22, 1928 in Nashville, Tenn. He was the grandson of JOSEPH B. BLAIR and CATHERINE BLAIR (the latter being one half-sister of Mrs. CLARIL BLAIR BLAIR our treasurer).

---

Mrs. Emily Newell BLAIR is Vice Chairman of the Democratic National Committee. She is the sister-in-law of our member, Mrs. EFEMMEY BLAIR Wall.

---

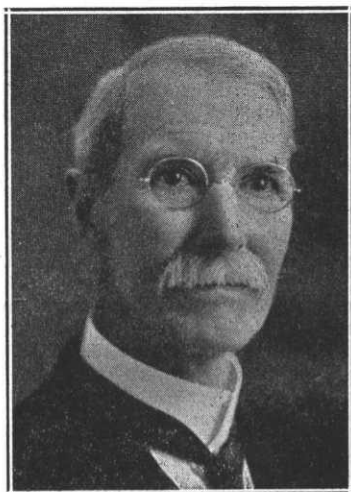
Mr. THOMAS A. BLAIR, of the weather office at Lincoln, Neb., describes a recent hail-storm at Potter, Neb., in which a single hail-stone weighed one and one-half pounds, and measured seventeen inches in circumference.

## In Memoriam

The path of sorrow, and that path alone, Leads to the land where sorrow is unknown."—Cowper.

---

TADLOCK.—Rev. ALEXANDER DOAK, D. D., died at his home in Winchester, Kentucky, on December, 19, 1928, and passed from our membership to greater opportunities for endeavor. He was born at Washington College, Tennessee, May 27, 1851, and was the son of James Doak and Susan McLin Tadlock. He was a graduate of King College and of the Union Theological Seminary of Virginia; was ordained to the gospel ministry in May 1876; and was in the active service of church pastorates for nearly forty-three years—all within the state of Kentucky. He exemplified the highest ideals and practices of his calling and was universally respected and loved.



He married, May 19, 1876, Miss Alice Vance, daughter of William Nicholas Vance of Bristol, Tennessee, and Sarah Netherland. Her forbears were prominent among the pioneer settlers of that state, a maternal ancestor having bought the Long Island in the Holston River at Kingsport from the Cherokee Indians. According to Theodore Roosevelt's "Winning of the West," it was upon this island that two treaties were effected between the settlers and the Indians. Mrs. Tadlock preceded her husband in death by only twelve days. They were laid to rest in the Paris, Kentucky, cemetery.

His grandfather, Sevier Tadlock, married MARY BLAIR, daughter of "Lieutenant JOHN" and Hannah Caruthers BLAIR. This line known as the "Loudon Blairs," descended from HUGH BLAIR and Mary Dawson, who were married before emigrating from Ireland. Tradition says that JOHN BLAIR, father of MARY BLAIR, was first cousin to JANE BLAIR who married LEWIS TADLOCK.

His father, Rev. J. D. Tadlock, D. D., L. L. D., married Susan Kelsey McLin, daughter of Robert Lynn and ANN BLAIR McLin, the latter a daughter of JOHN BLAIR, jr., ("Lieutenant JOHN"). Robert Lynn McLin was a son of Alexander and ANN BLAIR McLin, the latter a daughter of JOHN BLAIR, sr., ("Pioneer JOHN").

It will be seen that A. D. Tadlock's grand and great grand-mothers, both maternal and paternal, were BLAIRS,—two of them ANN BLAIRS. This is known as the "Jonesboro Line." "Pioneer JOHN BLAIR" married Martha Laird before emigrating. He came first to Pennsylvania, afterwards to Guilford county, N. C., finally settling in Washington county, Tennessee. JOHN BLAIR, jr., was a first

lieutenant in the Revolutionary War, and afterwards a Lieutenant-colonel under Sevier in the Indian Wars.

Dr. Tadlock is survived by a sister, Mrs. Susan Tadlock Wallace, of Bristol, Tenn.; a brother, Robert McLin Tadlock, of Fort Worth, Texas; and two sons, Rev. Edwin Vance Tadlock of Winchester, Ky., who is Superintendent of the Department of Mountain Work for the Presbyterian Church, and with whom he made his home for the past twelve years; and James Thornwell Tadlock, of Paris, Ky. He contributed for this magazine an interesting article on JOHN BLAIR of Washington county, Tenn., which will be found on page 39.

—From Reverend E. V. Tadlock.

---

HALL,—Mrs. EMMA CILICIA (Gardner), wife of Rev. James Hugh Blair Hall, of Birmingham, Alabama, died January 9, 1929 at her home, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery at that place.

She was born April 2, 1860 at Summit, Blount county, Alab., the daughter of Rev. William Carroll Gardner and Corinna Myrritt Carleton, she was a daughter of Edward Moore Carleton, Esq., and Adaline Amanda Carleton of middle Alabama. Her education was obtained at Montevallo School, and at Cooper Institute at Lauderdale, Miss. She married our Associate Member, Rev. Dr. Hall July 23, 1882, in Montevallo. She took a course in music at the Cincinnati College of Music in 1883 to better prepare herself to assist her husband in their chosen work of teaching. She proved a very successful teacher.

To Dr. and Mrs. Hall were born three children:—Prof. Hugh Talmage Hall Miss Mignon Myra Hall, and Ruskin Gardner Hall; the first having died November 27, 1920, leaving a daughter, Myrtice Talmage Hall.

Mrs. Hall was a charter member of the Alabama State W. C. T. U. organized at Gadsden in 1883; a consistent member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church (as was her husband), until the union of that church with the Presbyterian Church U. S. A. in 1906, when she and her entire family became members of the united organization. She was a most amiable and lovable woman, and an apt and skillful teacher. In her Dr. Hall had a companion whose daily life was a constant inspiration to devotion, consecration and Godliness.—From Dr. Hall.

---

We all extend to our member, Miss Bobbie Clack, sincerest sympathy in the death of her father on January 11, 1929, who died very suddenly of heart trouble.

---

EDGAR WILSON BLAIR, aged 81, father of Hon. DAVID E. BLAIR, Supreme Justice of the Missouri Court, died February 9, 1929, of angina pectoris. He was born in Kossuth, Iowa, May 12, 1847, moved to Salina, Kansas, where he practiced law and later to Joplin, Missouri where he continued his practice. Surviving him are his four sons: Hon. DAVID E., Supreme Judge of Mo.; WILLIAM N., and HERBERT E., missionaries in Korea; and SUMNER H., of St. Louis, Mo.; also his brothers and sisters: ALBERT H., of WaKeeney, Kansas; THOMAS S., of Riverside, Cal.; BRYSON P., of Phoenix, Arizona; Mrs. Sarah Covert, of Riverside, Cal.; Mrs. Helen Fleming, of Solomon, Kansas; and Mrs. Harriet Corkhuff, of Santa Ana, Cal. Mr. BLAIR was a tall, erect and vigorous man physically, and blessed with an unusually keen intellect, all of which he retained to almost the last. He was buried at Salina, Kansas.

---

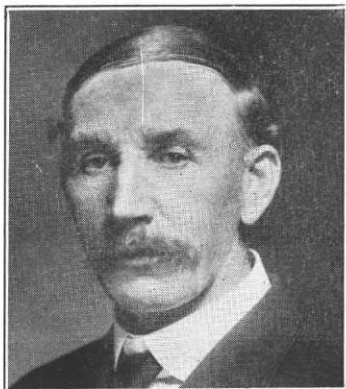
Rev. I. N. BLAIR, of Harrisburg, Pa., has been styled "The famous marrying preacher," having united more than four hundred couples. He believes a sense of humour is necessary to a successful marriage; but how many of his patrons have later been able to see the joke?



ALAZANNAH BLAIR, born September 18, 1833, died March 23, 1907, mother of Rev. James Hugh Blair Hall. She was the oldest child and only daughter of Rev. JAMES BLAIR, of the Loudon, Tennessee BLAIR Line.



Mrs. Emma Cilicia (Gardner) Blair



Rev. James Hugh Blair Hall, L. L. D.